

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A patient parameter monitoring pod, comprising:  
a portable housing containing a power supply;  
a patient parameter module connectable to a patient via lead cables to collect patient data, the patient data including at least one vital sign;  
a transceiver adapted to wirelessly transmit the patient data to a defibrillator; and  
a data port adapted to supply the patient data via a direct electrical connection to the defibrillator.
2. (Original) The pod of claim 1, where the patient data includes one or more of multi-lead ECG data, non-invasive blood pressure data, pulse oximeter data, capnography and respiratory data, invasive blood pressure readings, and patient temperature data.
3. (Original) The pod of claim 1, wherein the portable housing supports a display area to visually display the patient data.
4. (Original) The pod of claim 1, wherein the housing includes a pod interconnect connector to connect the pod to another patient parameter monitoring pod.
5. (Original) The pod of claim 1, wherein the housing includes visual indicators.
6. (Original) The pod of claim 1, further including a carrying handle extending from the housing proximate a patient lead cable port that permits connection of the lead cables to the pod, the carrying handle positioned to protect the patient lead cable port and the patient lead cables attached to the port from direct impact.
- 7- 19. Cancelled.